

A close-up photograph of several bright green leaves on a thin brown branch, set against a blurred background of more green foliage and a bright sky. The leaves are in sharp focus, showing their veins and serrated edges.

What are companies doing to  
prevent pollution?

*Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Pollution  
Prevention Search Tool*



# Why use the TRI Pollution Prevention (P2) Search Tool?

1. Search the pollution prevention information reported to TRI
  - More than 450,000 P2 activities\* have been reported to TRI, with more information reported every year
  - Search by industry sector, chemical, or location
2. Compare how different facilities manage their toxic chemical waste
  - Compare for facilities in the same sector using the same chemical to help identify P2 opportunities

\* Also called “source reduction” activities

# P2 information reported to TRI

- Industrial facilities provide P2 information about each chemical they report to TRI, such as:
  - Any source reduction activities they implemented to reduce the waste generated (codes)
  - Text describing their P2 activities (open text)
  - Quantities (pounds) of chemical waste managed through recycling, energy recovery, treatment, or released
  - A production or activity ratio to provide context for reported chemical quantities (a ratio)

# Where to find the TRI P2 Search Tool

- Access from EPA's Envirofacts website under "Toxics"
  - <https://enviro.epa.gov/facts/tri/p2.html>
- Access from the TRI homepage, select any topic, and click on "TRI Pollution Prevention"
  - <https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/pollution-prevention-p2-and-tri>

The screenshot displays the EPA website's "Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program" page. The header includes the EPA logo and navigation menus for "Environmental Topics", "Laws & Regulations", "Report a Violation", and "About EPA". A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area is titled "Pollution Prevention (P2) and TRI" and features a section titled "The Benefits of Pollution Prevention" with three columns of icons and text describing how P2 strengthens facility finances, protects the surrounding community, and reduces chemical waste. Below this, there is a paragraph explaining the TRI program's purpose under the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990. A red arrow points to the "TRI Pollution Prevention" link in the left-hand navigation menu. At the bottom of the page, there is a section titled "Access TRI's P2 Data" with three bullet points, the first of which is circled in red: "Use the TRI P2 Search Tool to get info by industry sector, chemical, geography or parent company, and compare environmental performance."